The University of Alberta Department of Music presents:

# CONCERT CHOIR

Spring Concert

# "STORIES"

Evelyn Pfeifer, Conductor Susan Farrell, Assistant Conductor

Saturday, April 4, 2009 at 8:00 pm Convocation Hall, Arts Building, University of Alberta





#### PROGRAM

If Music be the Food of Love (1997)

David Dickau (b. 1953)

Bryan LeGrow, accompanist

Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel? (1999)

arr. Moses Hogan (1957-2003)

Malaika Horswill, 1<sup>st</sup> soprano Laura Miller, 1<sup>st</sup> soprano Dorcas Li, 2<sup>nd</sup> soprano Julie Sackey, 2<sup>nd</sup> soprano Christina O'Dell, alto Stephanie Savage, alto

Hear My Prayer Lord (2009)

Nadia Nasedkin\*+ (b. 1982)

Dorcas Li, soprano

Lamentaciones de Jeremias (1999)

Z. Randall Stroope (b. 1953)

Karen Witten, accompanist

Remember (2002)

Stephen Chatman\* (b. 1950)

Zapateado Caribe (1931)

Agustin Barrios Mangoré (1885-1944)

Guitar Trio – Jeremy Doody, Jordan Gagne, Corey Smith

Ka hia manu (1999)

arr. Stephen Hatfield\* (b. 1956)

Susan Farrell, conductor

Intermission

Jabberwocky (1991)

Brent Pierce

Karen Witten, accompanist

Jamaican Market Place (1988)

Larry Farrow

Susan Farrell, conductor

The Maggie Hunter

arr. Ruth Watson Henderson\*

(from Five Ontario Folk Songs) (1990)

(b. 1931)

Karen Witten, accompanist

Si j'avais le bateau\_

arr. Harry Somers\*

(from 5 Songs of the Newfoundland Outports) (1969)

(1925-1999)

Susan Farrell, conductor Karen Witten, accompanist

Loch Lomond (2000)

arr. Jonathan Quick\*

Ashley Rees, soprano

Three Scottish Folksongs (1983)

arr. Mack Wilberg

1. O Whistle and I'll Come to Ye - Paige Wilson, soprano

(b. 1955)

2. I'll Ay Call in by Yon Town

Karen Witten & Julie Sackey, accompanists

<sup>\*</sup>Canadian composer

<sup>+</sup> member of Concert Choir

#### Texts and Translations

#### If Music Be the Food of Love

(Henry Heveningham)
If music be the food of love,
Sing on till I am filled with joy;
For then my list'ning soul you move,
To pleasures that can never cloy.
Your eyes, your mien, your tongue declare
That you are music everywhere.

Pleasures invade both eye and ear, So fierce the transports are, they wound. And all my senses feasted are; Tho' yet the treat is only sound, Sure I must perish by your charms, Unless you save me in your arms.

#### Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel

(Traditional Spiritual)
Refrain:
Didn't my Lord deliver Daniel,
And why not every man?

He deliver'd Daniel from the lion's den, Jonah from the belly of the whale, And the Hebrew children from the fiery furnace, And why not every man. Hallelujah!

The wind blows east and the wind blows west, It blows like the judgment day.
And ev'ry poor soul that never did pray
Will be glad to pray that day. Hallelujah!

I set my foot on the Gospel ship, And the ship, it began to sail. It landed me over on Canaan's shore, And I'll never come back anymore. Hallelujah!

Didn't my Lord deliver Daniel, From the lion's den, and Jonah From the belly of the whale, And the Hebrew children from the fiery furnace?

Then why? Tell me why not every man?

#### Hear My Prayer Lord

(Text: Psalm 102 NIV) Hear my prayer Lord, Let my cry for help come to you. Do not hide your face from me, When I am in distress, turn your ear to me. When I call, answer me quickly. For my days vanish like smoke, My bones burn like glowing embers. My heart is blighted and withered like grass. I forget to eat my food. In my distress, I groan aloud, And am reduced to skin and bone. I am like a desert owl. Like an owl among the ruins. I lie awake, I have become like a bird, Alone on a roof. All day long my enemies taunt me. Those who rail against me use my name as a For I eat ashes as my food, And mingle my drink with tears.

For I eat ashes as my food, And mingle my drink with tears. Because of your great wrath. For you have taken me up and thrown me aside.

My days are like the evening shadow, I wither away like grass.

# Lamentaciones de Jeremias (Lamentations of Jeremiah)

(Text: from the Book of Lamentations)
O vos omnes,
qui transitis per viam,
attendite et videte
si est dolor,
sicut dolor meus.

Recordare Domine intuere, respice opprobrium nostrum.

#### Remember

(Christina Rossetti)
Remember me when I am gone away,
Gone far away into the silent land;
When you can no more hold me by the hand.

Nor I half turn to go yet turning stay.
Remember me when no more day by day
You tell me of our future that you plann'd:
Only remember me; you understand
It will be late to counsel then or pray.
Yet if you should forget me for a while
And afterwards remember, do not grieve:
For if the darkness and corruption leave
A vestige of the thoughts that once I had,
Better by far you should forget and smile
Than that you should remember and be sad.

#### Ka Hia Manu

(Polynesian Text, Chants, and Melodies Adapted and arranged by Stephen Hatfield)

Hitirere ake te haga i runga
Te ariki Hotumatu'a
Kaoha!
Ua hiti mai te ava'e
Mato-u tamariki Ganaia
ata rahi rumaruma
toiti
ka hia manu
ava Moa
Hiva Oa
Fakateni atu ai te igoa taku fenua
Ta'i no te moe vaikava noho manu ino e
tutuma hakangaro tangi
Aue te turu e

O you people, who pass this way, look and see if there exists any sorrow (agony) like unto my sorrow.

Remember, Lord consider and notice our humiliation and disgrace!

The sun rises high in the skies.

Announcing the deeds of King Hotumatu.

Greetings! – the breath of life

The moon is rising.

We are the people of Anaa Island.

Emerald green clouds.

-it's raining

-many birds

-a sacred waterway

-the island said to have nurtured the young

Hotumatu'a

Praise the name of our homeland.

Someone has been abducted by an evil bird.

-weeping in grief

Help us!

The Polynesian chants and texts adapted in Ka Hia Manu are from Tahiti, the Marquesas, Tuamotu, the Northern Marianas, and Rapa Nui, also known as Easter Island. The title Ka Hia Manu (Many Birds) is in recognition of the importance birds have in the folklore and the arts of these cultures. The phrase "free as a bird" has extra meaning for a people living on small, scattered islands in the middle of the open Pacific. The bird becomes a symbol for those who explored from island to island, and for the islands themselves. Ka Hia Manu draws on tributes to the king Hotumatu'a, the founding patriarch of Rapa Nui.

#### Jabberwocky

(Lewis Caroll)

'Twas brillig, and the slithy toves Did gyre and gimble in the wabe: All mimsy were the borogroves, And the momeraths outgrabe.

"Beware the Jabberwock, my son! The jaws that bite, the claws that catch! Beware the Jubjub bird, and shun The frumious Bandersnatch!"

He took his vorpal sword in hand: Long time the manxome foe he sought, So rested he by the Tum-tum tree, And stood awhile in thought.

And as in uffish thought he stood,
The Jabberwock, with eyes of flame,
Came whifling through the tulgey wood,
And burbled as it came!

One-two-one-two and thru and thru The vorpal blade went snickersnack! He left it dead, and with its head He came galumphing back.

"And hast thou killed the Jabberwock? Come to my arms my beamish boy! O frabjous day! Callooh! Callay!" He chortled in his joy.

#### Jamaican Market Place

(Larry Farrow) Market woman, taking all her goods to Kingston Market, Market woman, on her way to the market.

Here comes a woman dressed in white On her way to market. Taking all her goods to sell – People come from miles around.

Market woman, taking all her goods to Kingston Market, Market woman, on her way to the market.

Another woman with fish to eat On her way to market. Baskets full so take your pick – You can bargain for your best price.

Market woman, selling all her fish at Kingston Market, Market woman, on her way to the market.

Some carry goat, beans and sugarcane, Yes, you can buy at market. The Rasta man brings his goods to sell, You can buy every day.

Market woman, singing all way home from Kingston Market, Market woman, on her way from the market.

There goes the woman dressed in white On her way from market. Singing joyfully all way home, She has sold all her goods today.

Market woman, singing all way home from Kingston Market, Market woman, on her way from the market.

#### The Maggie Hunter

(text collected by Edith Fowke)
Oh, sad and dismal is the tale to you I will relate
'Tis of the Maggie Hunter, her crew and their sad fate,
How they sank beneath the deep, in life to rise no more,
In one of the fearful gales that sweep Ontario's dreary shore.

They left Oswego on their lee, the white-caps high did roll. Bound for the fair Queen City with three hundred tons of coal. There never was a jollier crew sailed on the lakes or seas As they their canvas all did make and spread it to the breeze.

#### The Maggie Hunter (continued)

When they got well outside the piers it blew a lively gale, By orders of the captain 'tis supposed they shortened sail, Of all the captains on the lake Frank Nixon reigned as chief, So they sailed on for Toronto with their canvas closely reefed.

The white-caps dashed before the bow, like thunder they did roar, As if singing a sad requiem she would plough the waves no more. Two Newman brothers before the mast their duty they did do, Together with three other men composed the Hunter's crew.

So dusk came down and darkness next, it was a fearful night, The ill-fated Maggie Hunter she's now far out of sight. She's now far out of sight, my boys, now will be seen no more, Down in the deep now all do sleep far from their friends on shore.

Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison, Kyrie eleison

Six months afterwards the cook was found floating near the shore, The many friends who loved her will never greet her more. A hatch, a boom, a broken spar, the drowned woman's pale dead face, Of all that stout craft and gallant crew remain the only trace.

So come all ye that follow the land and a living there do make, It's little do you make, my boys, of the dangers of these lakes, Whenever there a storm arise think of the night it blew, And the Maggie Hunter she went down with all her gallant crew.

#### Si j'avais le bateau

(text collected by Kenneth Peacock)
Si j'avais le bateau que mon père m'avait donné,
Je pourrais traverser l'eau sans bateau.
Si j'avais des enfants qui m'appeleraient pas maman,
Oh! Je prieras Dieu souvent qu'ils mouririont subitement.

À l'honneur du patron, Faisons sauter le bouchon. Je boirons à la santé d'un aimable société. If I had the boat that my father gave me, I could traverse the water without a boat. If I had children who didn't call me 'maman' Oh! I would pray often that they would die suddenly.

For the sake of the boss, Let's blow out the stopper. Let's drink to the health Of a lovely society.

#### Loch Lomond

(Traditional Scottish words and tune) By yon bonnie banks and by yon bonnie braes,

Where the sun shines bright on Loch Lomond,

Where me and me true love were ever wont to gae,

On the bonnie, bonnie banks o'Loch Lomond.

Oh ye'll take the high road an' I'll take the low road

An' I'll be in Scotland a-fore ye, But me and me true love will never meet again,

On the bonnie, bonnie banks o'Loch Lomond

'Twas there that we parted in yon shady glen,

On the steep, steep sides of Ben Lomond, Where deep in purple hue the Highland hills we view,

And the moon coming out in the gloamin'.

The wee birdies sing and the wild flowers spring,

And in sunshine the waters lie sleeping, But the broken heart will ken nae\* second spring again,

And the world knows not how we are grieving.

\* know no

#### O Whistle and I'll Come to Ye

(Robert Burns – melodies and words from *The Oxford Scottish Song Book*)
O whistle and I'll come to ye my lad,
O whistle and I'll come to ye my lad!
Tho father and mother and all should go mad,

O whistle and I'll come to ye my lad.

But take you great care when you come to court me,

And come not unless the back gate be a-jee: Then up the back-style and let nobody see, And come as ye were not comin' to me, And come as ye were not comin' to me. I'll whistle and you'll come to me my lass, I'll whistle and you'll come to me my lass, Tho' your father and mother and all should go mad,

I'll whistle and you'll come to me my lass.

At kirk or at market when-e'er ye meet me, Go by me as tho that ye cared not a flee: But steal me a blink of your bonnie black eye,

Yet look as ye were not lookin' at me, Yet look as ye were not lookin' at me.

Ay-vow and protest that ye care not for me, At times ye may laugh at my beauty a wee: But court not another tho jokin' ye be, For fear that she wile your fancy frae me, For fear that she wile your fancy frae me.

#### I'll Ay Call in by Yon Town

(Robert Burns – melodies and words from *The Oxford Scottish Song Book*)
I'll ay call in by yon town and by yon garden green again,

I'll ay call in by yon town and see my bonny Jean again.

There's none shall know and none shall guess what brings me back the gate again, but she my fairest faithful lass and secretly we'll meet again.

I'll ay call, ay call in by, ay call in by yon town, Call and see my bonny Jean again.

She'll wander by the oaken tree when Trysting time draws near again, And when her lovely form I see, O haith! She's doubly dear to me.

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#### Soprano I

Lana Cuthbertson Tyla Day Malaika Horswill Dorcas Li Laura Miller Nadia Nasedkin Nicky Vranas

### Soprano II

Alesha Bogdan Alexandra Malayko Robyn Martel Christina O'Dell Ashley Rees Julie Sackey \* Amber Schneider Paige Wilson

#### Alto I

Olivia Chow
Susan Farrell \*\*
Sabrina Fok
Allison Glubish
Kiersten Hawthorn
Krista Milani
Audrey Mo
Janique Richard
Shannon Sutherland

#### Alto II

Michelle Chan Rosie Kilgannon Crystal Muller Stephanie Savage Karen Witten \*

#### Tenor

Louis Bouchier Woo Jun Kim Bryan LeGrow \*

#### Baritone

Jordan Gagne Brent Pancheshen Matthew Parsons Corey Smith

#### Bass

Kelvin Chu Jeremy Doody Cody Schellenberger

<sup>\*\*</sup> Assistant Conductor

<sup>\*</sup> Accompanists

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